### More Good Reasons to Pick Up After Your Pet

Create a clean, sanitary play area for family activities.

Prevent messes from pet waste being tracked indoors.

Avoid fines. The deposit of animal waste on public property (including sidewalks, parks, catch basins, beaches and streets) is punishable by a fine in Concord.

Ensure a healthier environment for us all!



#### Tips for Bagging It

Keep a supply of bags near your dog leash.

Reuse old bags: plastic newspaper bags, bread bags, sandwich bags or grocery bags.

Or purchase special bags where pet supplies are sold. Look for biodegradable bags if available!

Tie bags on the leash.

Thanks for helping to keep Concord's natural resources clean!

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## Don't Let Your Pet Pollute!

How to Safely Dispose of Pet Waste





Concord Public Works Engineering Division

# Dog and Cat Waste Pollutes our Watersheds!

Dog waste left on the street or lawn, or dropped directly into a catch basin does not just go away or fertilize the grass. The bacteria in dog waste can be washed down storm drain catch basins and eventually into our streams, rivers, ponds and lakes.

Kitty litter dumped outside can also be washed into streams. The bacteria in pet waste can make it unsafe to fish or swim in our waters.



Dog waste bags dropped in a catch basin are washed out of the outfall pipe during a storm, and can eventually make their way to our rivers, streams, ponds and



### Proper Pet Waste Disposal

### 1 When Walking

Bag It Bring plastic bags with you when you walk your dog. Use a bag to pick up the dog waste. Tie bag closed and place in trash.



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### 2 Options at Home

Trash It Double bag dog waste or kitty litter, tie securely and place in garbage.

Long-handled "pooper scoopers" available at pet stores make it
easy to pick up after your dog without stooping over.

Don't Flush It!